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1. Location:

On the western perimeter of Moscow-Kaliningrad. The Moscow-  
Lolshevo railroad line was north of the plant. There was a  
small airfield some hundred meters to the south.

2. Plant History:

A German V-weapons engineer from Saxony with the name of Jansen  
and six other German engineers who had previously worked at the  
Peenemuende V-Weapons Plant were employed at the factory. They  
were arrested in Saxony in 1946 and deported to this plant.

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a. [redacted] the plant existed before the  
war and that transmissions for machine tools had been produced  
there prior to and during the war.

b. Korpus 3, consisting of two large workshops, was built in  
1946. The V-missiles were assembled there; parts of these missiles  
were produced in the workshops of the factory.

c. Besides this production plant No 68 or 8 continued to manu-  
facture transmissions.

d. [redacted] the V-2 50X1-HUM  
was to be produced in quantity in 1948. It was planned to then  
replace the Poles working in the plant by Soviet labor. 50X1-HUM

e. [redacted] surprising freedom of communication between the  
German engineers and the Poles [redacted] they were subject  
to no restrictions in this respect and that everybody was under  
the impression that the German engineers were the top people at  
the plant. [redacted] the engineers with their de-  
pendents, who had come from Germany later, were quartered in a  
block of buildings in Kaliningrad and [redacted] they could move about  
freely. 50X1-HUM

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## 3. Plant designation:

The inscription "Zavod 88" (or 8) was printed on the factory trucks [redacted]

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## 4. Assignment:

[redacted] observed officer commissions arriving in vehicles the drivers of which were 50X1-HUM members of the air force wearing blue epaulets with wings.

## 5. Work force:

approximately 2,000 per shift. Two 8-hour shifts were worked.

## 6. Deliveries:

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[redacted] steel and iron was delivered by rail from Moscow.

## 7. Production:

No details available. [redacted] the produced 50X1-HUM machine tool transmissions were shipped to Moscow. [redacted] two V-2s leave the plant in June 1947. Since shipments left the plant day and night no estimate of the output can be based on this observation. [redacted] did not know anything about the destination of the shipped V-2s. 50X1-HUM

## C. Description of the V-2 (see Annex, sketch 1):

New Marburg lathes, boring and milling machines in addition to planing benches were set up by the PWs in February and March 1947. [redacted] the V-2 (as reproduced in the attached sketch) in the center of the workshop; they were covered by a tarpaulin. [redacted] this V-2 could not have been produced in the plant since at that time work had not yet started in the two workshops of Korpus 3. [redacted]

[redacted] it had come from Germany and was to be used as a model. There was an aperture in the center of the fuselage. A brass manometer was seen in the interior of the fuselage. The manometer was similar to those used with oxygen flasks. Oil line valves  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch in diameter were also seen. The largest diameter of the V-2 was about 1 $\frac{1}{2}$  meters, the length including the rudder assembly was 12 meters. The nose of the missile was a silver-white. 50X1-HUM

In addition to the V-2 there were about 100 boiler-shaped instruments about 80 cm high and 50 cm in diameter, made of iron. There were six nipples fixed on the cover plate (see Annex, sketch 2). After work started in Korpus 3 in May 1947 the workshops were off limits to all PWs and the workshops were guarded by 50 soldiers. 50X1-HUM

Two other V-2s were observed in June 1947. [redacted]

[redacted] On the track near P.O. Camp [redacted] two flatcars with side racks with a loading capacity of 60 tons each were parked for two days. One V-2 was loaded on each of the two cars, fastened on a semi-circular iron support and covered by tarpaulins. The soldiers guarding the cars were very indifferent and did not prevent some of the PWs [redacted] from lifting the tarpaulins for a moment. On this occasion the same V-2 observed in Korpus 3 was seen. The missile was painted steel grey and seemed to be new. On the following day a locomotive pulled the two cars from [redacted] 50X1-HUM

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the factory area in the direction of the railroad station.

[redacted] a V-2 launching site was near Kaliningrad. [redacted]

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[redacted]  
[redacted]  
Comment:

a. [redacted] the previous Gun Factory 8 in Ka-  
liningrad (sometimes also called Plant No 88) [redacted] 50X1-HUM  
[redacted] After the war [redacted] was con- 50X1-HUM  
verted to the assembly and production of missiles. [redacted] 50X1-HUM

b. [redacted] the work  
force of the plant for this time is estimated at about 10,000,  
including those employed on construction work and the installa-  
tion of the production shops.

c. The production of V-missiles has not been definitely con-  
firmed for this plant. The activities in the plant centered  
on the assembly and maintenance of missiles which were mainly pro-  
duced in Germany during the war. Moreover, preparations were  
taken for a quantity production of V-missiles in the plant.  
An FMS train (mobile meteorological station, code word for  
mobile V-missile launching platform) was also parked in the  
Kaliningrad plant. The observed two cars loaded with V-2s  
probably belonged to that train.

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1 Annex, sketch [redacted]

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V-2 Observed in Plant

